



April 11, 2023

The Honorable Mike Fong, Chair
Assembly Higher Education Committee
1020 N Street, Room 173
Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: AB 1542 (Fong), As Introduced on February 17, 2023

Position: Support

Dear Assemblymember Fong:

On behalf of the Association of California Community College Administrators (ACCCA), I am writing in support of your Assembly Bill (AB) 1542, which is scheduled to be heard by the Assembly Higher Education Committee on Tuesday, April 18, 2023.

AB 1542 would award a student member on the California Community Colleges Board of Governors (BOG) the Community Colleges Student Success Completion Grant in the amount of \$4,000 per semester each year the student is a member of the board, regardless of the number of units in which the student is enrolled.

ACCCA strongly supports the empowerment of students and recognizes the importance of having the student perspective on the BOG. There is great prestige and responsibility in being a student BOG member; however, serving on the BOG is a significant time commitment for students who already have a very busy schedule. ACCCA believes that this commitment should be rewarded with the Community Colleges Student Success Completion Grant. For these reasons, ACCCA supports AB 1542 and respectfully asks the committee members to vote “aye” on this measure.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Susan K. Bray', is written over a white background.

Susan K. Bray
Executive Director

cc: Members, Assembly Higher Education Committee
Michelle McKay Underwood, Legislative Advocate, School Services of California Inc.